



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

MT. ZION ELEMENTARY

Charleston

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 251

Principal: Deborah Fordham

Superintendent: Dr. Nancy J. McGinley

Board Chair: Mr. Chris Fraser

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2010	Average	Excellent	Gold	Silver	Met	N/A
2009	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

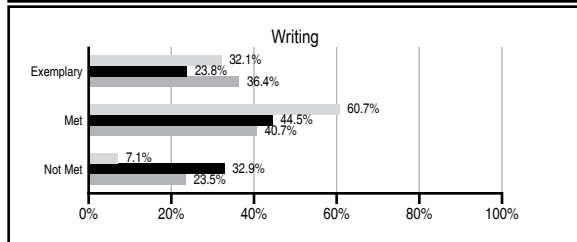
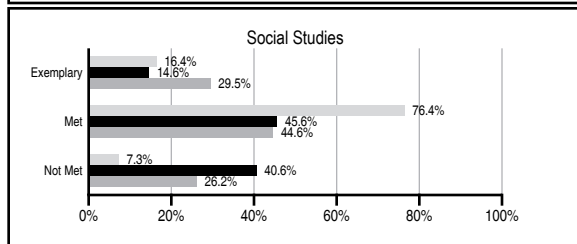
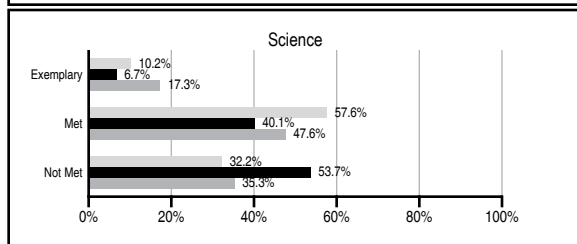
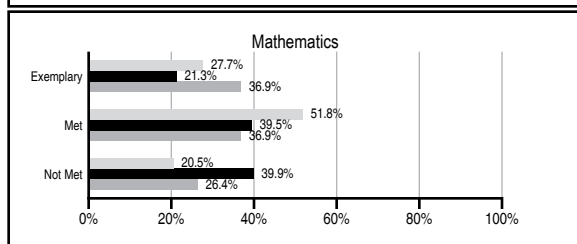
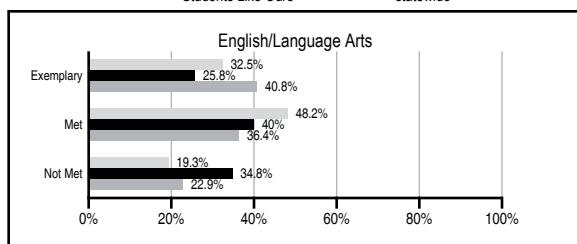
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	5	78	49	23

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

### Abbreviations Key

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=251)</b>				
Retention rate	1.5%	Up from 1.0%	1.5%	1.1%
Attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 95.9%	96.0%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	18.6%	Up from 4.4%	5.1%	13.4%
With disabilities other than speech	1.8%	Down from 6.6%	4.3%	4.1%
Older than usual for grade	0.8%	Down from 1.2%	0.6%	0.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=20)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	35.0%	Down from 36.8%	61.9%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Up from 63.2%	81.8%	88.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.2%	Up from 87.5%	84.3%	87.8%
Teacher attendance rate	96.9%	Up from 96.5%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$39,912	Down 5.3%	\$45,180	\$46,773
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	14.7%	Up from 4.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	5.0 days	Down from 10.2 days	10.6 days	10.5 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 5.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.6 to 1	Up from 19.0 to 1	17.5 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.1%	No Change	90.4%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,016	Down 6.2%	\$8,566	\$7,447
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	63.8%	Up from 63.0%	67.6%	68.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.0%	Up from 60.0%	63.9%	65.8%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	76.9%	90.5%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	9	29	14
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	86.2%	92.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	93.1%	85.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	55.6%	86.2%	84.6%

\*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of Mt. Zion Elementary School, working in partnership with students, staff, parents and the community, is to ensure that all students are provided a high quality education through curriculum that utilizes approaches based on content advancement, analysis of abstract themes or concepts, development of complex thinking processes, and transformation of learning into creative products.

Focus on our mission by all stakeholders earned our school an "excellent" Improvement Rating on our 2010 SC Annual School Report Card. The work continues as we strive to grow our absolute rating from average to good or excellent.

We invite our entire community to join us in achieving our mission. You are invited to visit, get involved at any level, and to help make a difference in the lives of our future leaders of America!

Deborah Fordham, Principal  
Arica Jenkins, Chair, SIC

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